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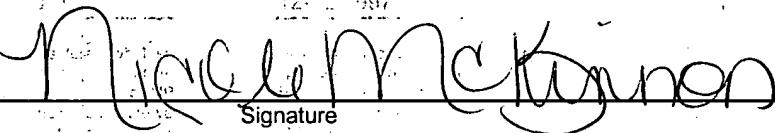
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97, Applicant(s) hereby make of record the following additional documents. A PTO Form SB/08 and a full copy of each of the documents required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) accompany this statement.

Applicant(s) have become aware of the following documents, cited in the Final Decision for Rejection issued December 20, 2005. These documents are cited on the enclosed PTO Form SB/08, and a copy of the Final Decision for Rejection and of each document required under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2) cited thereon are enclosed as well.

This statement is not to be interpreted as a representation that the cited documents are material, that an exhaustive search has been conducted, or that no other relevant information exists. Nor shall the citation of any document herein be construed *per se* as a representation that such document is prior art. Moreover,

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), as it is being filed before the mailing date of a Final Office Action as far as is known to the undersigned and includes the statement specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e). In the event that a Final Office Action has been mailed, Applicant requests that this IDS be filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), with the requisite fee being charged to the Deposit Account listed below.

The undersigned hereby certifies that each item contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

The Non-English language documents submitted herewith are discussed in the "Final Decision for Rejection" that is being submitted herewith. Also, English Abstracts of the published Japanese Patent Applications submitted herewith are included herein.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1105, under Order No. 55697 (70551). A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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